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Riverside firefighters given the boot (to fill)

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – Riverside firefighters literally have some awfully big boots to fill.

Firefighters will be stationed at three city intersections from 8 a.m. to noon, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday soliciting donations for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

They should be easy to spot: They're the helmeted firefighters with a large boot asking you to roll down your window.

"The firefighters are asking people at the intersections to drop in whatever they can afford into the boots," said Tim Strack, president of Riverside City Firefighters, Local 1067, which is organizing the effort with the city. "We're going to try to raise \$50,000 over these three days."

The firefighters will be stationed at the intersections of University Avenue & Lime Street, Magnolia & Central Avenues, and Tyler Street & Magnolia Avenue.

The fundraising effort is part of a national campaign to aid MDA.

For more information, call fire department coordinator Dave Hernandez at (909) 229-9207.

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